

REMARKS

Claims 1-86 are pending.

ELECTION/RESTRICTIONSPage 2, Paragraph 2

The Examiner states that Applicants are required to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits.

In response to the election requirement, Applicants elect Species A – a data transformation system / a method for transforming data, without traverse.

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The Examiner states that in addition to the above election, Applicants must provide a listing of all claims readable thereon.

In response to this requirement, it is submitted that Claims 1-40, 48-61 and 68-81 are readable on the elected Species A.

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It is noted that the Examiner states that upon the allowance of a generic claim, Applicants will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all of the limitations of an allowed generic claim.

In this regard, it is noted that dependent Claims 62-67 depend directly or indirectly from independent Claim 48.

The Office Action has been carefully reviewed. It is submitted that the above remarks deal with all points raised by the Examiner in the Office Action.

Respectfully submitted,



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